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IN one of the Courants of last Week, was inserted the Memorial deliver'd to the General Assembly of the Swis Cantons by Monsieur de Mellarede, the Duke of Savoy's Envoy; The following Memorial was deliver'd to the same Assembly by the Marquess de Puisieux, the King of France's Ambassador.

Magnificent Lords!

THE Ages to come will be hard to be perswaded, that in the space of 4 Months such considerable Occurrences could happen as those of which you have in some measure been Witnesses. Who will believe, that those formidable Ramparts which the greatest Captains of ancient Times would have made it their Glory to have taken in a Year, could be forc'd in 13 Days, by the Ability and Courage of a Prince, who is as one may say but just come into the World?

Who will imagine, that an Army which was look'd upon to be hem'd in by all the Forces of the Empire, could triumph over its Enemies by so compleat a Victory as that they won in the Plains of Hochstet, under the Conduct of the Elector of Bavaria, at the time they were threaten'd to be reduc'd to beg Mercy?

Who will not be surpriz'd, that an Army so Superior to that which oppos'd it, and which promis'd themselves nothing less than the Conquest of the principal Towns of the Netherlands, should be oblig'd by the Conduct of the Generals of France and Spain, to stin their Projects to the taking of some Castles, which were of so little Importance, that they were not thought worth the Trouble of preserving?

Who will not look upon it as a Prodigy and a wonderful Event, that the King's Army commanded by the Marshal de Tallard, should in one day conquer one of the strongest Places in Europe, and totally defeat near Spires the Army the Allies had drawn together to Succour it?

On the other side, Magnificent Lords, who can believe that a Fleet strong enough to have made the most inaccessible Coasts tremble, should be oblig'd to roam about the Seas without daring to attempt any thing?

It was lately notified to you, that the Arch-Duke has been proclaim'd King of a Monarchy, possess'd by a Prince who was call'd to it, by the Right of Blood, the Will of his Predecessor, and by all the Estates of his Kingdom.

Lastly, You have seen a Prince whose Promises ought to have been kept Sacred, who liv'd quietly shelter'd by the 2 Kingdoms of France and Spain, engage in a Party contrary to his true Interests, and violate the Faith of Treaties which he had solemnly Sworn to, and seal'd by two the greatest Alliances of Europe.

All I have recounted to you, Magnificent Lords, is the Work of 4 Months, and without my enlarging into Particulars, is it not easie for you to conclude by what you have seen, that the Lord of Hosts visibly espouses the Cause of the 2 Crowns? Nothing stands before the Troops they send into the Field for their

Defence. The strongest Places cannot hold out against their Attacks; we hardly know they are besieg'd, but we are inform'd they are taken, by the downright Valour of the Soldiers, and the prudent Conduct of the Generals, without their stooping meanly to make use either of Surprize or secret Intelligence to gain such rapid Conquests; It is an Argument of the same Divine Assistance, that a Prince of the Blood of France, call'd by Right of Inheritance to the Crown of Spain, should find in his new Subjects, all the Fidelity, all the Affection he could desire; when he sees not only that his People are not to be corrupted by the continual Sollicitations and Promises of his Enemies, but that they are ready to Sacrifice their Lives and Fortunes, in discovering and rendring Fruitless, the Conspiracies hatch'd by those Enemies, against a rightful King, whom they cannot dethrone by open Force, and in vain attempt it by help of the most horrible Perfidies and the blackest Treasons?

How great must your Surprize have been, Magnificent Lords, when after the happy Success of the 2 Crowns, you were inform'd of what had pass'd at the Court of Vienna, that the Emperor had not only caus'd the Arch-Duke his Son to be proclaim'd King of Spain, but had prevail'd with himself to let him go for England, under the Conduct of the English and Dutch. Such a Proceeding manifestly proves either the unbounded Ambition of the Houfe of Austria, or the extrem Necessity it is reduc'd to: Whether the Emperor took this Resolution for one or both of those Reasons, is it not an astonishing thing, to see him abandon his Son to the Mercy of Winds and Waves, and the Inconstancy of Fortune, without having the least Assurance of the Success of his Projects?

It is not without Cause, Magnificent Lords, that I have told you we are fallen into a Time of wonderful Events. Not long ago you beheld the Duke of Savoy at the Head of the Troops of the 2 Crowns; he commanded their Forces, and had even joyn'd his own to them to maintain their undisputable Rights; And now you see an Agent come to you from that Prince, who desires Troops of you for his Master, to be employ'd against France and Spain: This Agent having tack'd together all the Invectives which the Enemies of the King my Master had at different times scatter'd among you, has made up a Memorial out of them, wherein he labours hard to render all his Majesty's Actions Odious to the Laudable Republick; but he imagines he has even surpass'd the Count de Trautmandorf, by insinuating to you, that if France should possess her self of Savoy, nothing would be more dangerous to your Frontiers. He infers from thence, that you ought to take that Province into your Protection, and treading in the Steps of the King's Enemies, accustom'd to their Maxims, he endeavours to perswade you into the War which at this time agitates all Europe, and to follow a Conduct different from that of your glorious Ancestors, and the wise Examples they set you. To say all in a word, the Duke of Savoy, by virtue of an Alliance purely defensive that is between him and the Laudable Catholick Cantons, claims a Right to demand Succours of you, as often as he shall think fit, as he

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has now, to run imprudently into a War which did not at all concern him; nay more which he enters into in breach of the Faith of Treaties, and slighting the strictest Tyes of Blood; And all this in a Prospect of making his Advantage of a critical Juncture, when believing the 2 Crowns will not be able to stand against the redoubled Efforts of their Enemies, he hopes he may better his Condition, and at pleasure execute the vast Projects with which his inflatiabie Ambition inspires him. But, Magnificent Lords, you know too well your own Interest and that of all the Potentates of Europe, to suffer your selves to be perswaded by such Discourses so often and so fruitlessly repeated; and particularly you cannot but know, that the Fear endeavour'd to be created in you on account of the King my Master's Conquests, is but a specious and groundless Pretext, to incline you to renounce the Neutrality which is the only Foundation of your Quiet. The King my Master, and his glorious Predecessors, have posseſſ'd themselves of Savoy as often as the Princes of that Name have joyn'd with their Enemies; yet you cannot but reflect, Magnificent Lords, that as soon as those Princes have again espous'd the Interest of France, have embrac'd a perfect Neutrality, or have made some Alliance with that Court, they have immediately render'd back that Duchy, which doubtless they would have kept, had they design'd to make use of it to oppress their Neighbours. You your selves can witness this, you well remember that at the End of the last War, his Majesty did not only render back Savoy to the Prince of that Name, but likewise the greatest part of the Territories he now possesseſſ on the other side the Alps.

This Memorial being very long, we must refer the rest, (which is about as much more) to our Next.

Falmouth, Dec. 30. This day came in the Wild-Cat Privateer of Flushing of 26 Guns, and brought in as Prize a Ship belonging to Antwerp laden with Wine and Brandy from Nants, being formerly an English Guinea Man, having an Elephant and Castle in her Stern, about 60 Tons and 10 Guns.

Plymouth, Dec. 31. This day came in Her Majesty's Ship the Lime with a retaken Ship from St. Ubes; came in also a Dutch Privateer who after some dispute with 4 French Privateers who lately came up with her, made a very narrow escape from them.

Harwich, Jan. 1. The Packquet-Boats are not yet sail'd with the Mails for Holland, the Wind being still contrary at N. E.

London, Jan. 4. Yesterday the Right Honourable the Lord Mayor, with several of the Aldermen, the Sheriffs, and other Persons of Quality, &c. were present at the Sermon preach'd to the Societies for Reformation of Manners at Bow-Church, by the Reverend Dr. Wills Dean of Lincoln, &c.

AT the Theatre Royal in Drury-Lane, this present Tuesday being the Fourth of January, will be perform'd, *The Subscription Musick*. Wherein Mrs. Tofts sings several Songs in Italian and English. With several select pieces of Musick (compos'd by the late famous Mr. Henry Purcell) taken out of the Operas of *The Fairy Queen*, *King Arthur*, *Dioclesian*, and *Bonduca*. And an Ode upon the Happy Acceſſion of Her Majesty to the Throne, set to Musick by Mr. Daniel Purcell, never perform'd before. Danceing by Monsieur l'Abbe, Monsieur Du Ruell, Monsieur Cherrier, Mrs. Elford, Mrs. Campion, the Devonshire Girl, and others. With a new Prologue and Epilogue. No Person to be admitted into the Pit or Boxes but by the Subscribers Tickets, which are deliver'd at Mr. White's Chocolate-house. The Boxes on the Stage are for the Benefit of the Actors. The Stage Boxes 7s. 6d. the first Gallery 2s. 6d. upper Gallery 1s. 6d. To begin exactly at Six a clock.

And tomorrow will be presented a Comedy (acted there but thrice these 12 Years) call'd, *The Squire of Alsatia*. Written by the late Ingenious Mr. Shadwell. With several Entertainments of Singing and Danceing.

THE Golden Snuff, which hath been found so Beneficial against the Headach, Drowsiness, dulness of Hearing, Colds in the Head, and Humours in the Eyes, having been formerly sold at Jacob's Coffee-house in Threadneedle-street, is now by the Author's order, only sold at Mason's Coffee-house in Bartholomew-lane near the Royal Exchange, Price 5 d. a Paper seal'd up with Directions. Where any Person in City or Country may now be furnish'd with what quantity they please, good Allowance being made to those who will sell it again. At the same place is still to be had the Balsam of Cathay, so much approved of for giving present ease to Gouty and Rheumatick Pains. Price 2s. 6d. the Box with Directions. It never decays.

††† A Doctor in Physick, Cures all the Degrees, and Indispositions, in Venereal Persons; and by a most easie, safe, and expeditious Method: He likewise gives an Advice in all Diseases, and Prescribes a Cure. Dr. Harborough (a Graduate Physician) in Great Knight-Riders-Street, near Doctors-Commons.

This day is publish'd,

A Letter from a Master of a Collier to a Member of Parliament, shewing the Causes why Coals are so Dear. Price 2 d. Sold by John Nutt near Stationers-Hall.

A D V E R T I S E M E N T.

PHilosophical Transactions, giving some Account of the present Undertakings, Studies and Labours of the Ingenious in many considerable parts of the World. N° 287. for the Months of September and October last. Publish'd by Dr. Hans Sloane, Secretary to the Royal Society, containing I. The eight Books of East-India Plants sent from Fort St. George to Mr. James Petiver F. R. S. with his Remarks upon them. II. Mr. Ant. Van-Leuwenhoek's Letter concerning the Seeds of Oranges, &c. III. Some new Observations upon the parts and use of the Flower in Plants, by Mr. Sam. Morland. IV. Experimentum Anatomicum ad Veram Duræ Matris motus causam detegendam Institutum, ab H. Ridley M. D. F. R. S. V. An Account of Books. Printed for Sam. Smith and Benj. Walford (Printers to the Royal Society) at the Prince's Arms in St. Paul's Church-yard.

THE Gentleman's New-Years-Gift, or, Advice to a Son; in the several Conditions of Life. By the Sieur Gouffault, Councillor in Parliament. Made English from the French. The 2d Edition.

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THEre is now publish'd the Fifth Edition of *The New State of England*, under our Sovereign Queen Anne, Rectified in the Mistakes of former Impressions, Inlarged by the Addition of divers Important Matters, Reformed in its Method, and very much Improved in all its Parts; with the best Account hitherto of London and Westminster, of the Princes and Princesses of the Blood Royal of England, and the Succession of the Crown as it stands Settled in the Protestant Line, with the Newest, Exactest, and best Methodized Lists of Her Majesty's Officers in Church and State, and of the present Parliament and Convocation; and a Geographical Table, shewing in what County, any City, Market, or Borough Town lies, either in England or Wales: Besides many other useful and curious Matters, not Extant in former Editions. Printed for Henry Mortlock at the Phoenix, and Jonathan Robinson at the Golden Lion in St. Paul's Church-yard.

SEveral Evidences which have not yet appear'd in the Controversie concerning the Author of EIKΩN ΒΑΣΙΛΙΚΗ, produced in a Letter to the Reverend Mr. Wagstaff. By J. Y. of Plymouth. Printed for Richard Wilkin at the King's Head in St. Paul's Church-yard.